

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Applicant thanks the Examiner for the Office Action dated March 20, 2006.

Amendments

Page 1 of the specification has been amended to replace docket numbers with corresponding US Application numbers. The Applicant submits that this amendment introduces no new matter.

The subject-matter of claim 25 has been combined with claim 1.

Claims 18 and 25 are hereby cancelled.

Double Patenting

A Terminal Disclaimer is filed herewith, which disclaims the term of any patent granted from the present application extending beyond the term of US Patent No. 6,997,698.

Claim Rejections – 35 USC 112

Claim 1 has been redrafted to improve its clarity. In particular, the preamble of the claim has been amended in accordance with the Examiner's suggestion.

As regards paragraph 6 of the Office Action, it appears the Examiner may have misunderstood the present invention. The Applicant refers the Examiner to Figures 1 and 2, which clearly show that all printheads print simultaneously onto the *same* object. This is entirely consistent with claim 1. The Applicant submits that no amendment is required to claim 1 to properly capture the invention.

Claim Rejections – 35 USC § 102

The Applicant notes that the Examiner considers claim 25 to be allowable. Accordingly, in response to the rejections under 35 USC § 102, the subject-matter of claim 25 has been combined with claim 1.

It is respectfully submitted that all of the Examiner's objections have been successfully traversed. Accordingly, it is submitted that the application is now in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and allowance of the application is courteously solicited.

Very respectfully,

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